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## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

## THE ANIMAL GUYS COME TO SHOWCASE EXOTIC ANIMALS AT EATON CANYON NATURAL AREA PARK AND NATURE CENTER

**PASADENA** – The public is invited to meet and learn about exotic animals during a Twilight Program visit by *The Animal Guys*, a wildlife outreach team from the Wildlife Learning Center (WLC) in Sylmar at 7 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 30, at Eaton Canyon Natural Area Park and Nature Center.

The Animal Guys are an enthusiastic team of biologists with a passion for wildlife. Their backgrounds include genetics, ecology, conservation biology, behavioral enrichment and much more. The WLC is a zoological park founded to provide public information about our environment. It cares for more than 100 displaced animals from 50 different species. The team has presented more than 22,000 programs about these wonderful animals since 1988. Join the Animal Guys on Sept. 30 and meet some very exotic animals.



The program takes place in the Cynthia Null outdoor classroom at Eaton Canyon Natural Area Park and Nature Center, located at 1750 N. Altadena Dr., in Pasadena. For more information, contact the nature center office at: (626) 398-5420.

A \$3 per person donation is requested, but there's no charge for Eaton Canyon Nature Center Associate Members.

Eaton Canyon Natural Area Park and Nature Center is a natural preserve located at the base of the San Gabriel Mountains. This scenic 198-acre natural area was originally called "El Precipicio" by Spanish settlers because of its steep gorges, and was later named after Judge Benjamin Eaton a progressive pioneer, who was the first to use irrigation from Eaton creek to grow grapes on the slopes. Visitors can explore Eaton Canyon's expansive hiking and equestrian trails, along with a staging area, seasonal streams, abundant native plants and wildlife, as well as a nature center with displays, live animals, classrooms, auditorium and a gift shop!